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Rumours of Railway

Says New Line Running North and South to be Built by C. P. R. (Hanna Herald)

Just now the air is full with railway talk, and if plans at present under contemplation are carried into effect, Hanna will be in real touch with the rest of the world by a railway line, with lines of transportation running into the town from many directions.

Since the rumour plans said to be under consideration by the Canadian Pacific Railway were announced in the last issue of The Herald, many residents of the town and district express the opinion that the C. P. R. will first construct the proposed line from Bassano in almost a straight northerly direction to Hanna, and thus complete a link between the two towns which the great war interfered with. The extension to Hanna of the Assiniboia line of the C. P. R. would be undertaken at a later date. Hanna Branch is well under way. The former line running east from Drumheller would, in all probability, be constructed on the north side of the Red Deer river and pass through the rich grain and cattle country in the Hand Hills and Crowsfoot. Then, on its way into Hanna, it will penetrate the vast coal areas south-west of town.

In addition to the much talked of C. P. R. line—or rather lines—to the north, the officials of the Canadian National Railway are now busy with plans for a line running almost due north from Hanna. This week a high official of the C. N. R. is in Hanna laying plans for a more extensive railway service for this growing community, and these seem to be quite a step in railroad circles.

It has been definitely decided to begin almost immediately the laying of steel on the grade from "mile 90" south of Hanna and on the Red Deer river, where simultaneously work will be carried on the bridge which will span the river. After the track to the river, and the bridge across the Red Deer are completed, it will not take long to have the line in operation all the way through to Medicine Hat.

COAL OIL AND GASOLINE

Coal oil burns quickly and gives about six times as much heat as wood. There is a great temptation to use it on cold winter mornings or when you need a fire in a hurry. Why not? Here is a reason.

Coal oil evaporates easily. This vapor mixed with air in the right proportion is more powerful than dynamite. A spark will set it off. You may light your fire with coal oil a dozen times and get away with it because the "mixture" of air and vapor is not quite right. But the time it will be right, and then there will be a tragedy.

There is a fire somewhere in this province practically every day from this cause. Don't plant your fire with coal oil.

Lamps explode because the burners are dirty and do not fit properly. The vapor collects inside the lamp, takes fire and explodes. See that the burners are kept clean. If it is necessary, tell them in a solution of baking soda and water. If a lamp flickers or gives off puffs of smoke, put it out and do not light it again until you have attended to the burner. Needless to say, a lamp should be kept away from the edge of a table or any place where a child might reach it.

Gasoline is even more dangerous than coal oil, but people have not learned this. However they have not learned this.

It evaporates more quickly than coal oil, and being heavier than air the vapor lies about the floor for a long time. Gasoline vapor has been known to travel fifty feet from where it was spilled, and explode from the fire in a stove.

Here are some ways in which gasoline starts fires:

Cleaning gloves or clothes near a lighted stove or lamp.

Smoking in a garage.

Looking in the gasoline tank while smoking.

Looking at the engine of an automobile with a lighted match.

Mistaking for coal oil and lighting the fire with it.

Leaving gasoline about in an open can—the vapor escapes and spreads around the room, ready for the first spark to set it off.

Gasoline should be kept in a tightly corked or sealed metal can which should be painted red to avoid mistakes. Glass bottles or earthenware jars are liable to break.

Chemists say the explosive force of gasoline vapor mixed with air, is slightly less than that of alcohol as fuel.

Handle gasoline as carefully as you would dynamite.

ROBT. McLENN SUGGESTS NEW METHOD OF AUDIT

Auditor Henry Ford told the council Monday evening that short cuts who not appeared in previous audits because entries were not made in books. He said he had tried every way in which to find crookedness, but of no avail. When audits were made the secretary was always behind in his books and great difficulty was experienced in getting him to have the books up to date. The town collector, Robt. McLeen, made the suggestion that hereafter the suggested audits should be made at no particular dates, in the same manner as bank audits are carried out, so that the secretary would not have time to fix up anything that was wrong.

Heiland Mary's Tomb Removed

March of Industrial Progress is the Reason

GREENOCK, Scotland.—The shrine of Heiland Mary were situated in Greenock Cemetery on Saturday. Mary Campbell, the Highland girl who the poet loved, was buried in Greenock Old West Kirk basking ground, but the old church is being removed and the Kirkyard taken in as part of large extensions which the well-known firm of Harland & Wolff are making to their shipyard on the lower reaches of the Clyde.

Accordingly, the remains of Burns' sweetheart were recently exhumed and in the presence of a large assembly which included representatives from Burns' club, brought Scotland's "rebel" to rest. The coffin was carried to the grave on the shoulders of members of Burns clubs, and an impressive service conducted.

The love of Burns for Heiland Mary was the subject of a poem in the poet's life. "She inspired his sweetest and saddest song," "To Mary in Heaven," Mary Campbell was born in Argyllshire near Dunoon, now one of the popular seaside resorts. They fell deeply in love with each other and became engaged to be married.

It was arranged that Mary should return to her home to prepare for the union, but before parting they met on the banks of the Ayr and solemnly pledged their troth. Standing on either side of the little stream, and holding a bible between them, they exchanged vows of eternal fidelity. Mary presented the poet with her bible and he gave her in exchange. The lovers never met again. Mary on her way to Dunoon paid a visit to her uncle, Peter MacPherson, shipcarpenter in Greenock. There she contracted a fever and died in 1792. A number of the poet wrote a monument over her grave in the old basking ground and this monument has been removed to the new grave in Greenock cemetery.

Restricted Credit Prevents Trade

Australian Banks Have Been Unable to Provide Letters of Credit to Cover Dealings with Canada.

OTTAWA.—Attention is again called by the department of trade and commerce to the difficulty now being experienced by Australian merchants in making payments to Canada owing to the fact that the balance of the Australian banks in London has been temporarily depleted owing to excess of imports over exports. As a consequence of these Canadian banks have been unable to provide letters of credit to cover dealings with Canada. A cablegram from D. H. Ross, Canadian trade commissioner in Melbourne, says that large shipments of British Columbia timber and other goods have been ordered by merchants in Australia for payment, but the Australian purchasers are now unable to obtain credit, thereby embarrassing exporters and buyers. Payments for Canadian shipments can be made in Australia, but for some time there has been no prospect of remitting. Australian banks will allow interest, from date of collection to date of remittance at the rate of four percent, if financial arrangements can be made in Canada.

Council Considers Extent of Carnegy's Pillage of Funds

The town council delved into the regime of Chas. Carnegy as secretary treasurer, at the meeting Monday night, and found that the late secretary left an elusive trail behind him. The exact amount of the shortage will not be known for some time, but the council made arrangements to find out from all persons who are now put down as tax delinquents on the town books, if they had paid any sums to Carnegy to apply on their taxes. Receipts will have to be produced by anyone who claims he has paid.

H. W. Ford gave some shining examples of what had been done by the late secretary. One man from Boston had written stating that he had paid \$300 taxes last June but no record of an entry or credit for this amount could be found. The money collected by the town for water service during the summer months has disappeared. \$700 of the hospital funds, paid by the townspeople, is likewise unaccounted for.

A check for certain taxes was found in a trousers pocket of the late secretary, which brought the query from Jack Allen, "Has he any more trousers around." The first check made by the town auditor, Mr. Ford, shows a shortage of \$1384.06 but this is liable to be materially increased.

The sum of approximately \$900 was paid to Chas. Carnegy for land sold for taxes in the town, at the recent sale held here. This money is also among the list of "the unaccounted."

The bond company has been notified and are expected to take action in the near future.

Town Auditor Reports.

The report of Auditor Ford to the council is included in the following two letters submitted: Mayor and Council.

Bassano, Alberta.

"In accordance with instructions received from the town council on 15th inst., I have examined the condition of the town cash account as at that date. The cash book had not been written up so I did this from the duplicate receipts on hand. This done I found conditions as follows:

Balance on hand as per cash book	\$ 834.72
Balance on hand as per W. W. book	360.88
Taxes paid in advance during summer not entered in cash book	708.07
Total	\$1903.72
Cash on hand as per cash book	428.15
Petty cash disbursement as per receipts in safe	91.51
Deficit	1384.06

In addition to the foregoing I have checked the receipts and deposits from Jan. 1, 1920. I find the total receipts to be \$5085.77 with same deficit of \$1384.06.

I do not submit this report as conclusive as there is a possibility of further receipts yet undiscovered.

Yours truly,
H. W. Ford, Auditor.

Mayor and Council,
Bassano, Alberta.

Gentlemen,—Following my letter dated 16th inst., in regard to the shortage in the town cash. I would like to add that I have since found other discrepancies which will materially increase the amount already stated.

Until the audit is complete I am not prepared to give any definite amount.

There is another matter which should be brought to your attention at this time which affects the town and hospital jointly. After the town tax roll was made up in 1919, there was a separate levy for the hospital. At that time I was under the impression that the late secretary treasurer in his dual position was levying and collecting these taxes directly for the hospital. I had not read the hospital act and therefore considered I had nothing to do with the auditing of hospital taxes. It now appears that the collections of approximately \$1100 were made of which amount only a little over \$400 had been deposited in the bank, and there is an amount of something like \$1200 outstanding. None of these taxes have appeared in the town books, consequently the town is indebted to the hospital district for about \$700 and is responsible for the collection of the 1919 arrears which latter were not brought forward to 1920 tax roll.

Another matter which will affect the settlement between town and hospital is the appearance of two cheques, duly endorsed by the payees, drawn on the hospital account, for \$204.90 apparently paid from money in the town safe but whether town money or hospital money will have to be decided.

H. W. Ford, auditor.
(Continued on editorial page)

After New Secretary

Offers \$150 a Month for Man to Work on Town Affairs Exclusively

A new secretary is being sought by the town council and advertisements will shortly appear in Winnipeg, Calgary and Vancouver newspapers for a man to act as such on a salary of \$150 a month. Council, McKee and Stiles made this motion at the council meeting on the understanding that the new man's duties will cover only town work and then the assessment not being included.

Coun. Travis contended that \$150 a month was insufficient when the driver of a delivery wagon who could easily sign his name and get from \$100 to \$125 a month. He moved the salary be \$175 a month but no second to this motion was obtained. The original motion passed, Travis voting nay.

The mayor insisted that the new secretary should not get mixed up in other town's business and that future mayors should have continual access to all documents and the places where they were kept.

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Will You Buy German Toys?

It is estimated that nearly a quarter of a million dollars worth of German toys were shipped to Canada so far during November for the Christmas trade. Which equals the total amount shipped from England to Canada from January to October. German toys are flooding the British market to such an extent that the British industry is seriously crippled.

The overseas department of foreign trade reports that toy import houses are already stocked with German goods and that it is late to take orders to restrict the trade. The department estimates that 75 per cent of the toys on the British markets for Christmas are German-made and cost about half as much as the British-made articles.

Hospital Demands Money Due to It

Secretary Had Collected Some of these Monies and Neglected Arrears

A. L. Seale, chairman of the hospital board, told the council asking that the \$600 collected in hospital taxes from town ratepayers and never turned over by the late secretary be turned over to the hospital. Board also that arrangements be immediately made for the collection of \$1300 in arrears from 1919 be collected and turned over to the board. These 1919 arrears are not included in the 1920 taxes owing to the fact that the year last year was made up prior to the formation of the hospital district.

"As you are already aware, the hospital board is in the direst need of money with which to finance the current needs of the hospital district," the letter read, "and I am accordingly taking it upon myself to draw these matters to your attention so that if possible you will make arrangements for the payment to be made to the hospital district."

As considerable of the money collected in hospital taxes had been mysteriously disappeared, and as the hospital board's audit has not been completed, the council had the letter on the table to be dealt with later.

JUST FACTS

Stock experts have found that the African baboon tree yields a fibre that is one of the best paper hanging materials to be found.

The distinguished service cross is worn by no less than 130 American Jews.

Carnegy Committed

Charles Carnegy, former secretary of Bassano, was committed to the bridge jail there to await trial on charge of stealing \$1884.06 from the town and 1909.08 from the hospital board, the hearing being held before A. G. Bond, J. P., on Wednesday night.

Evidence was taken relative to the shortage and also as to the present whereabouts of the Victoria bond stolen by Carnegy. A. L. Seale, manager of the Union Bank, said the bond had been given to J. H. Stiles upon payment of the loan for which it was held as security. Mr. Stiles testified that the bond had since been sold.

Carnegy affirms his guilt and he has not secured the services of a lawyer. He says he will plead guilty to his trial.

The courtroom was crowded at trial. Robt. McLeen acted for the town.

Good Farming Made Fortune

Made Fortune in Western Canada, Now Lives in Riviera

Just how profitable careful systematic farming can be made in Western Canada is instanced in the success of Wm. Hopkins, director of Sager Wheeler, who has carefully followed in the footsteps of his model until as the result of this year's crop, he finds himself in a position to retire, make a world tour, and settle with his family in Nice, Southern France.

Coming from across the line, Mr. Hopkins commenced farming at Kipling, an elevator agent in Saskatchewan, on the Goose Lake line, in 1905, and in the course of his operations acquired 1700 acres which he cultivated, summer-fallowing 500 acres each summer. It spoke well for the country that in all these years he never experienced a crop failure, and in the only year recorded, that of 1919, the yield of the farm averaged all expenses.

The Premier, Prodding Seale

Three years ago, Mr. Hopkins, a zealous student of scientific farming, and a stern advocate of selected seed, purchased Red Horse seed from Sager Wheeler, paying \$250 a bushel for it. A year later he bought a supply of Kitchener strain from the same source for \$1000 per bushel. Mr. Wheeler's word, it may be stated, is the premier producing seed of the world, having secured from his farm at Rosburn, Sask., several international world's prizes and achieving a world's record yield of 92 bushels per acre.

Results in Mr. Hopkins' case certainly justified the expenditure, and the fine type of crops produced previously were considerably enhanced by the plump heavy seeds which weighed over 45 pounds to the bushel. This year, the crop consisted of 40 acres of Red Horse which yielded 45 bushels to the acre and 400 acres of Kitchener which returned 40 bushels from every acre. In contrast, 45 acres seeded to Marquis, which owing to circumstances, was a total loss, and 40 acres of Marquis which yielded 15 bushels per acre.

New Independent for Life

This year, after threshing, having operated his land for fifteen years, Mr. Hopkins sold out to George Leonard and who had managed it for him for a number of years. The price of exchange was 50 per acre or a total of \$100,000. His fifteen year's work has given him independence as well as a profitable income yearly. To Mr. Leonard and his family is due the full Mr. Hopkins and his family to the land of 4000 acres and the United States, the Mediterranean and other lands and will then settle in the beautiful garden of Riviera.

Buffalo Cows for Banff

Valleyview Star—The round-up men at the park have been busy gathering and shipping six beautiful buffalo cows to the dominion park at Banff.

Farmers Victorious

The United Farmers scored another political triumph on Tuesday when their candidate, S. S. McDermid, was elected in East Elgin over Conservative and Liberal opponents. This election was fought desperately, Premier Meighen twice delivering speeches there, while the Farmers, Mr. Carnegy, assiduously "stamped" the riding. The vote was as follows:

McDermid, Farmer - 3,043
Stansell, Conservative - 2,855
Charlton, Liberal - 1,949

CONSERVATIVE WIN IN YALE

In Yale constituency in British Columbia, A. McKelvie, Conservative, defeated Col. Edgett, Independent, by 450 majority. The successful candidate is editor of The Vernon News and is a brother of Bob McKelvie, for several years a politician of Bassano. A big vote was polled.

Dog Derby to be Run Next Year

Hudson Bay Dog Derby Will Be Run off in March this Winter

THE P.M.S. Man., Nov. 12.—With the advent of cold weather, the Hudson Bay Dog Derby is again a topic for discussion in the north country, and many suggestions for the betterment of the 1921 Derby are being received.

The race, which will likely be held early in March, will be for a purse of \$2500, if a suggestion to increase it to this amount is approved at the annual meeting of the members of the Derby to be held shortly. This purse is not much more than the high prize of the heavy weights harness race in maintaining and preparing a dog team for racing. The dogs are very expensive, last spring pups selling at \$300 for five, and full grown and trained animals from \$75 to \$100 each.

It is proposed to throw the race open to the world as has been done in all Derbys of the past. Some discussion has been held whether it was best to confine the racing to the use of five dogs and to bobbin, or permit the use of the Alaska racing harness and sled as used by Goyne, last March. Many of the local men are not adverse to the use of the Alaska rigging, provided the distance is lengthened out to 200 miles and more. They maintain that at the longer course Northern Canada dogs can show their best form. To Fin-Fin and Jack is a course suggested, a distance of close to if not over the 200 mile mark.

Mrs. Da Silva and daughter arrived in town on Sunday night to join her husband, Dr. Da Silva.

The Oddfellows 10-man bowling team was beaten by the Yels, assisted by local experts, at Wils-n's alleys on Tuesday night. The Oddfellows were 125 pins ahead at half time but the opponents finished like derby winners and won out by 36.

The annual ratepayers' meeting will be held on the evening of Monday November 29th. The annual school meeting will be held the same evening.

The body of Cole Robinson, the Gern farmer who was killed in an auto accident, was interred in the Bassano cemetery last Friday.

Fred Shuster of Gleichen having failed to send his two children, who were more than seven and under fifteen years of age, to school, was fined \$10 and costs by T. W. Bates, J.P. at Gleichen and ordered to see that the children attended school regularly. The complaint was made by R. H. Liggett, school inspector, from Strathmore.

A fine of \$10 and costs was imposed by A. G. Bond, J.P., November 17 last, on T. E. Glendenning, Majorville for neglecting to comply with the provisions of the Domestic Animals Act and having failed to notify James Dew, of Vulcan, that a scragg, gelding, the property of the late, was on his premises. Corporal E. Wright of the provincial police prosecuted, defendant pleading guilty.


Made in Canada

SOME PERSONAL EXPERIENCES OF PIONEERING IN WESTERN CANADA DURING A PERIOD OF THIRTY YEARS

When I had Bobbie Jack with other yokes on the gang plow still had trouble with this proking white brute. Whenever I was tending the horses on the grass on the prairie he would pout out of the furrow and reach for it, throwing all my ploughing to confusion. I'd try my best to get him in the barn, but he'd serenely criticized my style of ploughing. He undertook to show me how to drive oxen. Accordingly he seated himself right in the middle of the furrow, standing where I had left it, but there was no sign of oxen. A man who had been on the other side of the furrow, was now racing in front of it until they found the enough full of water into which they had plunged. Bob, as usual, lagged in the rear and had to be urged on. He'd get to the flanks, but otherwise was not much injured. They had burst from the harness when assailed by the flames, as if it had been the very water.

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and a whiff of gas and two or three times some shrapnel, but it doesn't bother me too much." Then he added, "Dae ye think ye could spare me a wee sprig o' it?" There was such a witfulness in his voice that I couldn't refuse him. Nowhere is the love of home stronger than amongst the wide-wandering Scots' whose thoughts wherever they may meet are always turning back to the land of "Brown heath and shaggy woods."

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Pithy Paragraphs For Busy People

THE WEEK'S NEWS IN TERSE TERMS

Investments in Railway Sale

Hon. Dr. J. D. Reid, Canadian minister of railways, told the Canadian Club, London, Ont., at a luncheon recently that the proprietors of the Grand Trunk and the Grand Trunk Pacific railways, through the Canadian government taking over these systems, would have their investments absolutely safe for all time and would never have to fear for their dividends or their principal. The Canadian government had been criticized for building in advance of requirements, but such building had hastened the development of the country.

Dies From Frost Bite

After viewing a Santa Claus parade in Montreal recently, Joseph and Lucie Asselin, aged seven and eleven respectively, wandered about until they were exhausted and were found two days later under a deserted lamp post. Lucie died in the hospital from frost bites, while Joseph is in a serious condition, but will recover.

Decline in Family Budget

A slight decline is reported in the cost of the weekly family budget of staple foods, in the current issue of the Labor Gazette. The average cost for a family of five was \$15.83 at the middle of October, as against \$15.95 in September, \$14.21 in October, 1919, and \$7.93 in October, 1914. The price movement is downwards, substantial decreases having occurred in grain, cattle, hogs, sheep, butter, vegetables, cereals, sugar, cotton, some lines of metals and minerals, linoleum, turpentine, chemicals, raw rubber and laundry starch. The retail prices of food averaged lower, especially in sugar and potatoes, and there were slight decreases in beef, bread, flour and collated cuts.

Unskilled Labor Payment Down 20%

The wages of unskilled labor at the Nova Scotia power commission's electrical plant at Northeast River, near here, have been cut by D. C. Loomis & Sons, contractors who are building the works from 50 to 40 cents per hour, and the working day has been reduced from ten to nine hours. More than one hundred men are affected by the reduction.

A Successful Looting Party

A band of whiskey thieves, believed by the police to number 25 men, broke open two freight cars at the South Street railroad yards, New York, and stole 588 cases of whiskey and forty-four barrels of alcohol. The whiskey is valued at \$32,340 and the alcohol at \$15,200. The loot was carried off in motor trucks after a railroad policeman had been captured.

Stung to Death

An eighteen-month-old baby was stung to death when he overturned a hive of bees while playing in his father's yard at Williamsport, Pa.

Police Officer Out on Bail

The provincial constable, George H. Hiebert, at Winkler, who did not attempt to stop the bandits from robbing the Union Bank at that town, a few weeks ago, when over \$19,000 was stolen, was arrested yesterday. Magistrate C. C. Milne of Morden, stated that the charges against Hiebert were, in effect, for failing to carry out his duty as a police officer, and accepting money for "bushy" work. It is alleged that Hiebert accepted a bribe of over \$1,000 "bush" money to prevent a prominent young Winkler farmer from facing a charge of assaulting a Winkler girl. The charge alleges that the constable got \$750 of the money and the woman in the case the remainder. Yesterday, when he appeared in court at Morden, he was granted a remand of one week and released on \$20,000 bail.

Paid for Doing Nothing

There is an actress in London, England, who has drawn a salary for four years and had nothing to do for it. In 1916 Miss Marianne Caldwell was engaged "for the run of the piece" for "Chu Chin Chow" at His Majesty's Theatre. Before this piece was produced it was found that Miss Caldwell need not be called upon for "bushy" work she had rehearsed and her services have never been required since. Every week a cheque for her salary is sent to her and in acknowledging receipt she says where she may be found in a hurry. The outstanding feature of the part for which she was cast is an "infinitesimal laugh."

Police May Use Machine Guns

Machine gun tests are being carried on by police officers of Toronto with a view to the possible adoption of machine guns for use by the police department. If the tests prove that the machine gun is adaptable for regular police duty it is probable that the local police force will be equipped with these weapons in case of emergency. It is said that the tests being carried on here show that 200 bullets may be fired each minute in which the gun is used. The guns used are specially adapted for police duty and the rebounding of bullets which has caused great damage in crowded thoroughfares has been greatly minimized by recent inventions.

Riots in Tokio

Anti-Christian mobs twice broke up Salvation Army bazaar demonstrations at Tokio. Gangs of students dispersed an open air gathering while a mob invaded an indoor meeting, tore down the decorations and offended the speakers.

No More Wars

One of the chief slogans voiced by the women of the world (excluding Germany, who declined to attend) at the International Council of Women, which recently held its first meeting in Christchurch since the outbreak of the war, was that there should be no more wars. Representatives of 29 countries, from all parts of the world, Mrs. H. H. Hiebert, president of the Norwegian Women's League, in her address of welcome said: "Every serious human being must say within his heart, 'There must not be any more wars. Such madness must never break out again.'" Miss Kjelberg addressed the meeting. Her paper was "Women's Work to the Forefront of Social Work." Lady Aberdeen (England), president of the International Council of Women, said in her address: "It is our mission to be the mothers of the earth. We are pioneers of the League of Nations. Peace and arbitration is our program."

Christmas Shoppers Very Busy

Every day the crowds that throng the large stores in the big cities grow larger because the spirit of Christmas shopping is abroad. A department manager in one of these stores said: "We have more business than last year and they have already made lots of promises to the younger members of the family and it's going to take a lot of Christmas stockings this year to hold all Santa's presents."

Hope to Communicate With the Dead

Physicists will be able to establish communication with the spirit world, according to Prof. A. Zevely, physics department, University of Minnesota. Zevely said he had given much consideration to the theories of communication with the spirit world from the standpoint of scientific rather than spiritual methods. With an amplifier of what is termed miraculous strength, installed at the university, physicists are experimenting with electronic and atomic on the theory that the mind, which is said to contain the spirit of the human being, throws off electrons and continues to do so after death. If the electrons which are thrown off after death can be registered on some powerful instrument scientists maintain that communication could be established with the spirit world.

Four Children Burned

Four children were burned to death at Big Pond, N.S., at 10.10 p.m. broke out in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Neil McLean and soon the house was a mass of flames. It was impossible to rescue four of the children. One child was saved, although Mr. McLean was severely burned while making the rescue. Mrs. McLean sustained minor injuries.

Irish Sympathizers Rebuffed

It is understood that the Navy Club, which looks after the United States sailors and marines, though not officially under the government, was asked by Irish sympathizers on Armistice day, to haul down the British flag in honor of the anniversary. The demand was made on Captain O. P. Jackson, in charge of naval publicity and morale. Jackson's answer was "Tell them to go to H—". Keep the Union Jack there on Armistice Day as you do the Stars and Stripes. The flag stayed up.

Paris Wearing Owl Feathers

Hoot hoot are the latest in Paris. This winkle was introduced at the fall salon and is rapidly outdistancing even the season's first creation, toques trimmed with monkey fur. Following the death of the King of Greece from a monkey bite, milliners discovered that nothing with monkey fur on it, and accordingly cast about for a substitute. Then some one discovered that the hoot hoot bird in the world to be the owl, so owl feathers have become fashionable on hats of all sizes and shapes. The owl has now risen in price from \$2 a pair to \$100 on the hat.

Foxes Worth \$10,000 Stolen

Fourteen foxes valued at \$10,000 and the choicest of the ranch, were stolen from the Imperial Black Fox Company's ranch near Montana, a few days ago.

Join in Fighting Whiskey Runners

It is reported that the international boundary line will no longer present a barrier to American and Canadian officers in pursuit of whiskey runners upon the Detroit river. Following a conference in Detroit some days ago, it was decided to make the campaign against rum runners more effective. American officers should accompany Canadian license squads in their expeditions and vice versa.

Should Be King of Spies

A young man in New York at present styles himself Don Louis de Bourne, and states his father was Alfonso XII, and his mother the King's morganatic wife, and that he was born in Galtz, Romania, in 1884. The present Spanish ruler was born seven years later. Don Louis says he was hidden away during his early life and then did a good deal of spying for the last four years he has been living in New York with his foster mother, Mrs. Helen Gilely, who died recently. He says he is not seeking the Spanish throne, for he would rather remain on this side of the water with his writings.

Mrs. Charlie Chaplin Granted Divorce

Mildred Harris Chaplin has been granted a divorce from Charlie Chaplin, the movie star. She charged him with cruelty. It was stated that a property settlement involving about \$200,000 had been made out of court and Mrs. Chaplin agreed not to use the name of Chaplin professionally.

No Home Brew

Home brewing was brought actively under the prohibition ban recently when it was learned that enforcement officials had ruled against the sale of hops and malt to bakers and confectioners. Prohibition officials admitted that the Volstead Act had been construed to mean that the sale of hops and malt as compounded parts of home made beer was unlawful and must be stopped.

Rats in Winnipeg

It is stated that there will be little improvement in the condition of the city of Winnipeg regarding rats until a bylaw is framed or the Public Health Act is amended, making it an offence for a person to own or occupy a building infested with the rodents. Estimates of the department place the number of rats in Winnipeg at 1,000,000, five times the population of the city. The annual consumption of food destroyed by them is placed at \$100,000. They waste more than they eat, cause fire and damage to buildings and clothing. It is said that the rats are being exterminated by the use of people offered agencies when obliged to live in houses infested with rats, or to work in rat-infested buildings.

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Winthrop Gunmen at Large

Although the Winthrop police are pretty sure that they know the man who used as "James Brown" at the Stock Yards Hotel, St. Bonifacio, and who shot Marshall O'Curry McCurdy last night, they have not been able to effect his arrest yet. There are police records of him at Vancouver, Regina and Calgary; it is acknowledged, but this local police will not name him so far. Constable James Utley, whose spine was broken by one of the desperado's bullets, is tonight weak, but it is reported he has a chance to recover from his wounds. Constable John Dinsin, the other man shot, is improving.

Payroll Stolen

The Weirton Steel payroll, Weirton, W. Va., amounting to \$75,000, was stolen from a registered mail bag recently. The currency was taken from a Pittsburgh bag to the post office there, placed in a registered mail bag and shipped to Weirton. When the bag arrived at Weirton, it was found to contain bundles of paper instead of the money.

Heroine at Fire

Miss Ray McLeod, chambermaid at the Royal Hotel, Kincardine, Ont., reportedly walked out on an eighteen inch ledge, with a drop of 55 feet should she miss her footing with two pools of water, to fight a fire which had caught in the peak of the roof and held the flames in check till the firemen could give their attention to them and put them out.

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Employees Threatened

The girl employees in the offices of Sylvia Parkhurst's Communitarian paper, the "Workers' Dreadnought," were threatened and the office upset by an angry crowd which alleged that during the two minutes of solemn silence in honor of the fallen, dead some of the women in the office "were singing dancing and banging tin cans."

Landing Fields for Liners

Future ocean liners will be built with landing field for airplanes, so that they may bring mail to passengers, according to the prediction of Air Marshal Sir H. M. Trenhard, chief of the British air staff.

Frank Calver on Exhibition

An interesting and remarkable freak of animal nature is on exhibition at the farm of J. D. Barham, ten miles west of Bonaville, Alberta. This one of two half calves with bodies grown together, completely. Both calves are of mixed size with partly formed heads, necks, backs and tails while the under parts of the body from neck to broken tail, grown solidly together. The faces and forelegs are entwined. Since the arrival of the freak, which occurred November 6, thousands of interested visitors have gone to the farm and the veterinarians have been closely studying same. In order to protect the life of the mother the lives of the two calves were sacrificed at time of birth.

No Accommodation in Los Angeles

George Adams, a former Regent man, temporarily residing in a garage in Los Angeles because of the fact that the building restrictions forbid the erection of anything less than an \$8,000 home on his site. No homes or dwellings of any sort are to be had in Los Angeles, states Mr. Adams. This emergency is

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Department of Agriculture for Alberta

In view of the present demand for breeding sows, the Department of Agriculture has decided to sell Live Stock Exchange at Edmonton and Calgary to select the best sows from those coming into the stockyards. Those who wish to purchase any or more may write directly to the Secretary of the Edmonton Live Stock Exchange Ltd., Stockyards, Edmonton, or the Secretary of the Calgary Live Stock Exchange, Alberta Stockyards, Calgary. A deposit of fifteen dollars \$15.00 must accompany the order, which is to be paid on delivery. When orders are filled, sows and breeders desired. The Department of Agriculture will have representatives at the yards to assist in the selection of the sows.

HON. DUNCAN McPHERSON,
Minister of Agriculture.

J. G. GARDY,
Live Stock Commissioner.

ALFALFA SEED SITUATION.

The present indications are that there will be much larger demand for alfalfa seed during the coming season than during the one just past. This was to be expected, and is a good indication as there is not enough soil enriching, dependable, permanent forage on the majority of farms in this district. Our faith in the Grum variety, has so far proved well founded, as, while a number of fields either wholly or partially killed out during the past winter, in no case that has been brought to our notice in the district, did a field that was known to be Genuine Grum suffer any detrimental thinning out. The Irrigation Investigation Branch, Office at Bassano and Brooks will soon undertake to furnish Genuine Grum Alfalfa Seed to the farmers of the district as long as the available supply lasts. A number of growers in the district have produced a small quantity of seed this year, but the local supply will not nearly meet the demand. Genuine Grum Seed of a dependable nature is very scarce this year, and inclined to be higher in price than last year, while the seed of the common variety will not be so cheap. A quantity equal to that of last year, from a dependable source, has been arranged for, and those who wish, same will be

well by placing their order early by writing a letter stating the quantity desired to either Den H. Barb, Brooks or Earl A. Black, Bassano. The seed ordered will be delivered in the order received, without depositing until April 1st, 1921, at which time the seed must either be settled for in full or a deposit of one half cash made, failing which, the reservation will be cancelled, and the seed sold. This method, on the one hand, will not cause the purchaser to lay out of the use of the money so long as where the purchase price must accompany the original order, and on the other hand, will not tie up the seed indefinitely, to the detriment of others who may want same, as all orders will be automatically cancelled on April 1st, unless settled for as above explained.

The price of Grum Seed cannot yet be fixed, but it can be said that it will not be higher than last year, and it will be so much less as it is cheaper.

The cropped lands in this district are at present almost exclusively devoted to grain-growing, too much in fact, to give to the most profit and the least risk from our irrigated farms. What we need is more diversification with the decreased risk and higher revenues that accompany this class of farming. The growing of high-class seeds of various kinds is one of the forms of crop diversification that we can well afford to undertake in this district. The experience of the past four years seems to indicate that we can not only grow a great variety of seeds here of the variety that the world market demands and in quantity sufficient to be very profitable, but the prices seem to have proven that the quality of our seeds is equal to, if not better than that from most other districts. Let us, therefore, give the coming seed shows the attention they deserve to make it.

If you want seed from us, get your order in early.

Don't Smoke, Girls

The following from the Windsor Star is better advice than the item regarding the women of Hamilton trying to stop men smoking.

"Surgeon-General Hugh S. Cumming, chief medical officer of the United States government, makes an appeal to American women to 'swear off' the habit of smoking cigarettes. Men and most women will earn only hope that General Cumming's plea will not fall on deaf ears. At

the risk of being called narrow, old-fashioned, prudish and a number of other things which we are not, we must confess that the idea of women smoking cigarettes has never appealed to us. Perhaps we feel this way because our mothers never contrived the habit and men are liable to judge all other women by the standards of their mother. Somebody will say, of course, that woman has as much right to smoke cigarettes or indulge in any other amusement commonly associated with the male species. No doubt she has the right but one can look at it in that light but that is hardly the point. We would like to think, as we have always thought, that women are just a little cleaner, sweeter, purer and nobler than men. It is good for the world that man has ever regarded woman thus and it will be a sorry day if he is forced to change his view. We have placed woman on a pedestal and we wish to keep her there. Cigarette smoking may not amount to much in itself but the practice has a tendency to tear the more lovable seal away from that enviable position it has occupied as long.

Wanted Audit For Five Years Back

Council Desired to Sift Matters to Bottom

Councillor Jack Allen suggested at the last meeting of the council that an audit extending over the past five years be made of the town's books. He said if this were done the council would feel more satisfied as to the affairs of the town.

Geo. Travis opposed this, but stated that if the council felt so sure that the accounts were all right in the past that he would pay the cost of audit if any shortage to amount to anything was found. Mayor Bredin and Councillor Bredin said they did not see what advantage would result from such an audit and Robt. McLean, town solicitor, remarked, that even if a shortage were discovered, it would not benefit the town in any way as the security given by the bonds of past secretaries has expired.

The matter was let drop when Harry Ford said such an audit would cost from \$2,000 to \$3,000.

LAWS OF THE LAND.

(Winnipeg Tribune.)

The Farmer's Sun, of Toronto, the organ of the U.F.O., takes the ground that police magistrates, judges and other officials charged with the duty of administering the laws of the land, have no business criticizing the measures they have sworn to enforce.

This comment is provoked by the fact that in various parts of Ontario police magistrates have been finding fault with the Ontario Temperance Act, a measure which was crystallized into law as a result of a vote to one vote on the part of the people of that province.

There is reason in the contention of the Sun. Magistrates and judges are officials of the Government, appointed to administer the law. From an intimate acquaintance with the operation of the law they are in a position to discover flaws, if such exist, but there is a time and a place for an expression of opinion from them. It were better that they communicate their views to those in legislative authority, rather than commenting in public and thus creating a possible feeling of disrespect to the very bulwark of liberty and protection the statutes of the land.

In Ontario, as elsewhere, there are probably magistrates who have little sympathy with prohibition laws, for example. It is not their business to criticize, but to enforce the law, and the notice served by the press in the matter may be applicable to other provinces.

Is there plenty of salt in the salt box? Or did you forget? Don't overlook the importance of plenty of salt all of the time for all kinds of stock.

Mulches on strawberry beds answer a twofold purpose. They prevent winter killing on the one hand, and retard spring growth on the other hand so that the blossoms will not come on till after the danger of spring frosts is past. The mulch should not be removed, therefore, until from May 10th to 20th, 1921.

Keep the young pigs growing. A little extra care and attention now will pay well. Let them have plenty of room to run and grow, and an ample supply of good water. Feed them well. The coarse grains are now comparatively cheap, and you will find that it pays.

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Council Considers

(Continued from page 1)
Govt. Sent Accountant

J. B. Sutherland, chartered accountant of Calgary, is the auditor appointed by the department of municipal affairs to conduct the investigation into the shortage in the town books. The cost of this audit is to be paid by the town. George Travis wondered if this expense could not be included in the bill to the bonding company, but solicitor McLean spoiled this pleasant dream by saying the act called for the town to pay the expense.

The hospital audit is being made by a representative from the department. Several days were required to bring the books up to date, they having been about two months behind.

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RAISING BUFFALO PROFITABLE BUSINESS

Canada now has in its buffalo parks over five thousand head of buffalo. Ten years ago the total totalled about 700. While it is true the conservation of the buffalo had its origin in sentiment, the undertaking today can be classed a distinct financial success. For ordinary purposes the calculation of the buffalo is given an estimated value of three hundred dollars. On this basis the government herds are worth over one and a half millions. That this estimate, as a rule, is much too low is evident by the recent experience of the department in connection with the sale of buffalo heads at the Montreal fair in March. A number of mounted buffalo heads were put up at auction and the high bid received for a head was one thousand and twenty-five dollars and the lowest three hundred and twenty-five dollars. A number of robes were also disposed of and three brought prices ranging up to one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

But, Mr. Valuable! In addition, the value of the meat must not be overlooked. Recently buffalo meat has been sold as high as fifty cents a pound and even though that price may not be maintained, it is obvious that for most things, a buffalo carcass will yield several hundred dollars. Besides, as the preservation of buffalo is concerned, it is clear that not only the sentimental theme for the preservation of the characteristic animal of the plains has been satisfied, but at the same time it has been done with substantial advantage to the country.

It is worth while pointing out in this connection there are reasonable expectations for substantial items of revenue in connection with the buffalo herd. It is expected with a good deal of confidence, that a very fair revenue will be realized from buffalo wool. Experiments in a small way have been carried on with a view to the utilization of buffalo wool, and the results are very promising. There are some difficulties in manufacturing through the admixture of wool from the buffalo, but experience indicates that existing machinery can be adapted to handle this problem. This spring a small quantity of buffalo wool was put through an ordinary sheep's wool carding mill; in addition some of the wool was spun into yarn. One of the outstanding features of this yarn is its extraordinary strength. While this wool may, perhaps, not be suitable for the finer grades of woven products, there seems to be a good future for it with respect to carpets and coarser articles of that kind.

THE BASSANO MAIL

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Leonard D. Nesbitt, Publisher.

HARDLY SEEMS FAIR

The tremendous success of the wheat board's operations last year have opened the farmers' eyes. Now those who protested so strongly against the wheat board's policy, carrying their protests to the floors of every farmers' convention, cannot realize that they were mistaken and the only fair way for farmers to dispose of their wheat is co-operative. So that every farmer gets the same price and the selling of the grain is done by a proper organization. There is little doubt manipulations of the stock market has had a lot to do with the depression in grain values. Farmers rather expected lower prices but nothing like the drop that materialized. In view of the fact that wheat prices were fixed during the war, the farmers are deserving of a great deal of sympathy in the present depression of their products. Had prices not been fixed during the war it is quite reasonable to suppose that wheat would have risen to \$5, or probably more per bushel. Had the farmers obtained this high price they would not be so deserving of sympathy when the drop came. But they were repressed while almost every other big business in the country was making top notch profits, and when the drop comes, the farmer is first to feel it.

THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER

Within the sacred confines of Westminster Abbey, the body of an unknown soldier, taken from his resting place on a French battlefield, lies entombed. For days and weeks a stream of people passed the soldier's grave, paying tribute to the memory of all Britain's fighting men who were stricken down in the great war. The soldier's identity was purposely left undiscovered so that the honor done him should be reflected in indiscriminately among the glorious dead. There he lies. "In the great minstrel transept, where lights like glories fall, And the sweet choir sings and the organ rings along the emblazoned wall. Prices are coming down and there will be unemployment but there is no necessity of anyone getting into a panic.

THE COMMON SIN

The town council may consider itself exceedingly fortunate that the exposure of manipulations in the town office was made before more effectual methods were taken to hide the leakage. As it is the town stands to lose very little in a financial way, although the situation is none too pleasant. It is possible to trace every dollar and name the exact shortage, and the bonding company will have to go good for that amount. We understand the hospital board can hardly congratulate itself, however, and that no steps had been taken to bond the secretary nor had there been an audit of accounts. This is indeed regrettable, and is certainly a lesson to every public or semi-public body in town. Where public funds are handled, no step should be overlooked to guard against human weaknesses for it seems that covetousness is the most common sin to which humanity is heir.

Editorial Notes

Don't rock the boat.

It appears to be a good thing that the town sidewalks were nailed down.

Bassano school Board has fitted up an overflow school because of the inability of the present structure to hold all the scholars. An addition to the school is planned when money is plentiful and prices of building material comes down.

The Gleichen school of agriculture was opened on the same day that a monument to Gleichen soldiers who were killed in the war was unveiled. Gleichen is keeping quite in step with the times.

The Mail is trying to arouse interest in the providing of a dance hall for Bassano, not for the benefit of any submerg-ent tershiporean ability of our own, but we understand that among the local talent there is real dancing ability thirsting for recognition.

(High River Times)

In Calgary and other cities of the west there are thousands of unemployed men to be found looking for meals. This condition might be expected for during the summer months when there was work to be done in the harvest field, probably those same men refused to work for less than \$8 a day.

Looking Backward

FROM THE FILES OF THE BASSANO MAIL

On Oct. 1912, The Mail made its first how to the public on Thurs. Oct. 1912, 1912.

Free express delivery has been introduced in the business portion of the town.

Harvey Smith and E. A. Maclean secured a street as a result of a hard day's shoveling.

If A. Holmes home was destroyed by fire.

At three o'clock on Oct. 1912, the weather was fine. The dam was some improvement and the over backed up into a lake. The dam about the stream without a fence. But after local men and the economy. A. G. Scott, Louis Webster and A. G. Bond.

Johnnie Hayford sent to Montana where he had built James Burns.

A team-shedder writes: A piece of lumber factory, my featherbeds and as a public conscience disturbs the lumber, I would be pleased if you could locate some other of the lumber chills in order that due to lumber might be made.

The waterworks system is now completed and being tested. In another week water will be running through the mains.

Macdonald & Haines' sign was blown down and very nearly killed Sam Holdings.

T. H. Burgess & Co., purchased \$40000 worth of the town's bonds at 54. He asked for an option on another \$25000.

COLTS SOLD WELL

Ronald Pross, The Adolph Blank estate auction sale on Wednesday, brought good prices on most of the articles. Three of the better class colts went for \$170, \$165 and \$165 respectively.

WATER IN TABER YARDS

Taber town council is taking up the question of the increase in Riverbank shipments, which are due from that town with the development of the irrigation belt, and are proposing to have a water main extended to the stockyards for the convenience of shippers.

On June 1st, 1920, Great Britain had 407,000 men in the army and 122,000 men in the navy.

Enlisted men in the United States army, who were officers during the war will wear a cuff braid of forest green.

TICKETS

TO THE
Old Country
on all
Steamship Lines
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REPAIR IT NOW

Never neglect needed repair work. If the roof starts to leak, the windows rattle, doors sag, walls crumble and ceilings crack, the house is giving sure symptoms that it needs attention.

It's work that must be done sooner or later. Prescribe a little of the **right** kind of repairs now and save a great deal of the trouble and expense bound to be caused if minor house ailments are allowed to develop into serious disorders.

If the old building isn't right, make it right. Just a little overhauling puts new life in old homes or business buildings.

Repair, replacement, addition and alterations all require good building materials. Not only can we supply the right materials, but we can also (as you the right way to use them. Let us be your repair doctor—see us at once.

REPAIR THE ROOF

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REPAIR THE WINDOWS

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The Personal Side

PROMINENT WESTERN CHARACTERS—SOME INTERESTING ANECDOTES OF PEOPLE WE ALL KNOW

BRIGADIER GENERAL ARTHUR CURRIE

One summer's night in August, 1914, in the city of Victoria the writer, in a very humble capacity was engaged in military duties at the exhibition grounds, where a large number of hastily mobilized soldiers were encamped.

The camp was in command of Colonel Arthur Currie, who at that time was the commanding officer of a local regiment of Gordon Highlanders. He was handing over his command the following day to another officer and was to proceed to Valcartier to take the position of Brigadier General. The sudden presence of war was depressing some of the minds. The peaceful routine of business and pleasure which had prevailed so long had given way to eminent danger. The future was full of dark possibilities and the manhood of the country was asking to be called.

In Victoria it was known that there were German warships at the coast. Men of Teutonic blood who had been prominent in social and business circles were a little more than suspected of being spies; and there was a state of excitement and unrest. During the course of the afternoon the authorities had learned that one or more persons of German nationality had obtained access to the camp and a patrol to whom ball cartridges had been served out was formed to keep an all night watch.

As darkness fell and the bugles sounded "lights out" and the bustle of the encampment died away Colonel Currie came out and sat on a chair on a little upstairs verandah outside the officers' quarters. He sat there all alone incessantly smoking a short pipe and watching the light fade above the snow peaks of the Olympians.

It was the duty of the writer to pass that place several times during the night and the big bulk of that motionless figure was always there betrayed occasionally by the all glow of the pipe, or when the face gleamed like an impression from Rembrandt in the sudden glow of a match, in the cupped hands.

He sat out the dawn, nor did he stir when the chill morning wind from the straits whispered through the sleeping city. He remained there the personification of vigilance and thought. I wonder if, during that long night, he visioned the career that was before him; the work of organization and valor; the dreadful days of the first years in France; the loss by heroic death of those who had been his comrades; the nights of waking; the days of deadly eminent danger and the winning of his spurs on the field of battle and the honor of knighthood bestowed on him by his sovereign at the close of a hard fought day.

The career of Colonel Currie reads like a chapter from the old romantic chronicles of Froissart and it is like an echo from Agincourt or Crécy.

He was always fond of soldiering. As a lad he was a bugler and went steadily through every rank until he commanded a regiment. In private life he was engaged in real estate, brokerage and insurance in the city of Victoria, but his heart was in soldiering and he devoted most of his attention to it. He was in command of the fifth regiment of Garrison artillery for some years and during that time the regiment attained the status of being the most efficient in the Canadian militia. Later a crack regiment of the Gordon Highlanders was raised in Victoria and Colonel Currie was given the command of it.

He is a very splendid figure of a man; something over six feet in height, with a portly mind and broad in proportion, and when dressed in the regimentals of the Highlanders he was a martial and imposing figure. When Valcartier camp was constituted he was one of the first men to be chosen by the minister of militia as a Brigadier General. On the fields of France and Flanders he soon proved his worth and the mettle of the western pastures which bred him, and the time came when he was the only logical man to command the Canadian army in the field. His work in that capacity has been told within the records of the war and his name will be one to conjure with as long as there is a survivor in Canada who fought in France and Belgium.

At the conclusion of the war he came home to Canada where he was accorded a reception as remarkable as any ever to a popular hero. He was given a high military appointment but he resigned it to become president of McGill University. Last week he was in Western Canada in connection with his university work and met many an old comrade who had been with him in France, in the dark days of 1915-1916.

He is bringing to bear in his work at Canada's greatest university the same executive gifts and the same pleasant but compelling personality which won him loyalty on the field of battle. He is one of Canada's best citizens and is typical of the country. He comes of the strong splendid stock which after carving Ontario out of the primeval forest, spread its sons over the western country where they took strong and vigorous root. He appeals to Canadians on account of his personality, his great and patriotic qualities and most of all because he is one of ourselves.

He is still in the very prime of his days and there should be a great career before him in the path of peace as he achieved on the blood-stained battlefields of Europe.

The Joy of Being By John Kendrick Bangs

Whether my head is leading me
Perhaps I do not know;
But, oh, the path is fair to see,
And sweet the work that I do,
In sun or storm, by day or night,
If skies are lowering or bright,
The highroads hold so much delight
I run with heart and glow.
The lanes may thorny be,
And lead to death or doom;
To step here breaking high,
The forest wild with bush and weed.
My strength may mortify;
Yet, with resolve to do and dare,
Hold with my soul small ease,
For hazards spread on either way,
The goals worth winning lie.

It is enough to live and plan,
To joy in earth and sea,
To do what things a mortal can
With spirit blithe and free;
To prove one's strength of soul,
And will
To meet and overcome the ill,
And in the end to gain the thrill
Of manly mastery.
—Munsey's

They Admitted It

"Of course," said a suffragette lecturer, "I admit that women are vain and men are not. There are a thousand proofs that this is so. Why, the neckties of the handsomest men in this room are even now up the back of his collar. There were six men in the room and each of them put his hand gently behind his neck."

Then the Fun Began



CURRENT COMMENT

ON MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST TO DWELLERS IN THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES OF CANADA

A SERIES OF ARTICLES DEALING WITH VARIOUS WESTERN QUESTIONS

ECONOMISTS ON CANADA'S TRADE

American economic writers are at present devoting considerable attention not only to the trade relations between Canada and the United States but to the possibilities of Canada's economic and commercial expansion.

It is being borne in upon that despite the vast natural resources of their own country they have become dependent upon Canada for certain manufactured essentials. One writer points out that instead of receiving from us only raw materials Canada is now exporting to the States large quantities of manufactured materials. One article in a well known publication says:

"In former years what we took from Canada was for the most part natural products—that is, fish, lumber, ores and minerals, and agricultural produce; and we sold in return manufactures and such goods for consumption as her rigorous climate didn't permit her to grow. In some measure our trade still shows this character, but in a diminishing degree. More and more she is sending us, for example, leather in place of hides and skins, paper and pulp in place of the wood from which they are made, and with the aid of American capital and enterprise she is using her enormous water power to prepare for consumption of many of the natural products which she once sold as raw material. It is similarly significant that the value of the raw cotton we send is very much greater than the value of the finished cotton she takes, that she now makes more than 90 per cent. of all the boots and shoes her people need instead of buying them from us and that among the most important of our exports to her, are such natural products as coal and oil for her growing industries."

Development in Canada has not marched equally with that in the United States. There were many natural difficulties to be overcome before the wide and fertile spaces of the west could be settled. Our climate is rigorous, the country was vast, and we are only now coming to a realization of our potentialities.

THE WORLD'S WATCH DOGS

Some months after the signing of the Armistice, a writer in the Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia, named George Pattullo, invited a storm of criticism from Canadians by writing an article which pandered to the spread eagle sentiment of the Americans. In it he sought to prove that the United States had been the deciding factor in winning the war. It was neither a credit to its author nor to the magazine which published it.

Since that time Mr. Pattullo has apparently experienced a change of heart.

In a recent issue of the same publication he has an article entitled "Watch Dogs of the World," which deals in an appreciative manner with Britain's extraordinary importance in the scheme of civilization.

After enumerating some of the external and internal difficulties which the Grand Old Empire is at present experiencing he says:

"Perhaps the most remarkable feature of national sentiment today in Canada is a growing national consciousness and pride in our country. The writer above quoted appears to have the real appreciation of Canadian sentiment when he says:

"Of even greater influence in shaping our commercial policy is the second consideration, which consists in the will of her people that Canada shall be economically as well as politically independent; a well-rounded, self-conscious, self-reliant nationhood is the aim of all political parties in the Dominion."

"Yes, in my opinion the old lion would stand a deal of shoving. These British have been weathering storms for a thousand years and nobody who knows them would be inclined to wager a shilling against their chances of winning through. Should they fail, the vast structure built up by centuries of patient toil, far-sighted diplomacy and prodigious outpouring of treasure will bring down its crash the whole structure of European civilization, for Great Britain is the keystone of it. What that might mean to America is worth sitting up nights to think over."

On The Long Line

Telephone girls sometimes glory in their mistakes if there is a joke in consequence. The story is told by a telephone operator in one of the London exchanges about a man who asked her for the number of a local theatre. He got the wrong number, and without asking to whom he was talking, he said: "Can I get a box for two tonight?"

A startled voice answered him at the other end of the line: "We don't have boxes for two." "Isn't this the theatre?" he called crossly. "Why not," was the answer, "this is an undertaker."

Some Tales of the Indians

***** AND THEIR HALF BROTHERS *****
RELATED BY ONE WHO DWELT LONG AMONGST THEM—PICTURESQUE TRADITIONS AND LEGENDS OF THE NATIVES OF THE WESTERN PLAINS

A Tragedy of True Love Amongst The Indians

THE DEATH OF A CHIEF—AN INDIAN LOVE STORY. A HASTY WEDDING AND ITS CONSEQUENCES—A PASTHETIC TALE.

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Ess-Koo-Chase lay dying. For ten long years he had not tasted buffalo steak or pemmican. The virus of Chicago had gone, so general was the pestilence. So long as your mother needs care and protection your home must be her home. But I lay upon you a more solemn duty. You must now be a father to the little sister who has grown up and played with you. Guard her, keep her as you would guard and keep your own child. I have said it.

A Father's Charge

To his son, Stone Child, Ess-Koo-Chase spoke at greater length. "My son, I am leaving you, my place must be taken by you. So long as your mother needs care and protection your home must be her home. But I lay upon you a more solemn duty. You must now be a father to the little sister who has grown up and played with you. Guard her, keep her as you would guard and keep your own child. I have said it."

New Responsibilities

The spirit of Ess-Koo-Chase slipped into the Happy Hunting Grounds, his body disappeared beneath the sod, and the young child, Stone Child, took upon his shoulders the duties assigned to him.

The little sister, "Pee-Hew" (Prairie Chicken), had grown up happy, healthy, hopeful, and was now sixteen. She was her brother's ward, and therefore her hand in marriage was at his disposal. Several of the young braves, had in different times sounded him by the customary familiar salutation, "brother-in-law," but without meeting the response that would lend encouragement.

The Prairie Chicken

Amiable, athletic and like her namesake, a prize chicken, alert, Pee-Hew had her own thoughts on the matter. She had not been successful in convincing her girl friends and relatives that young Buffalo Bow was her ideal of all that was brave and manly and good.

A Young Indian

Buffalo Bow was an orphan boy who years before, had been left by his dying father, "Many Horses," in charge of his uncle, Chief Pee-Pee-Kee-Sia, who had of late frequently urged his nephew to choose a wife, with the result that in time he confided to his uncle that nothing would please him more than to bring home as his bride the little Prairie Chicken living on the adjoining Okanose reserve. It was now the chief's part to look over the situation. He decided first whether the nephew's choice would be a suitable granddaughter to his own father, "The Man-Who-Walks-On-A-Hill," and if so, he must then confer with Stone Child concerning the terms of the desired alliance.

An Invitation

On the following day Stone Child received a message asking him to visit the chief's wigwam.

Long they sat in customary silence, and many pipes were smoked before Pee-Pee-Kee-Sia, extending his hand to young Stone Child spoke cautiously.

"A youth of the Sparrow Hawk's people would wed a maiden of the Wild Rose band. My nephew asks that he may be your brother-in-law. What says the maiden's brother?"

"The chief's nephew is no beggar. His horses dot the plain; was the equally cautious reply, which brought the chief face to face with the real issue, "many?" was the young man's thoughts. "How few?" was the thought of the chief.

Again the pipes were lighted and silence reigned. Hastie would be unseemly.

"Yes, learning the white man's ways," resumed the Chief. "The Pale Face does not buy his wife."

The white man's appreciation of anything he possesses is measured by the price he pays, remarked the young Indian. "So me tomorrow."

On Stone Child's return home his mother lost no time in use of words. "What seeks the Sparrow Hawk?" she queried. "How asks for an alliance with the Bird."

"What says the Bird?" she asked and looked to her daughter for the heart, was the deciding rejoinder.

On the morrow the Chief entered Stone Child's tent. More pipes were smoked. Pee-Hew's brother broke the silence.

A White Pony

"The son of Ess-Koo-Chase must not be first to change the customs of our people. His daughter will wed your nephew, who will present me with ten horses. As a symbol of her innocence and purity one of these must be a snow white filly."

"What concentrated joy or woe 'In blest or blighted love.'"

In the years that followed Buffalo Bow and Pee-Hew lived happily together. Among their people their home was a model. Among the whites their attachment to each other was always a matter of common observation. No child was born to them.

A Quarrel

Five years passed. On a keen cold morning in January Buffalo Bow rode out to locate his band of horses wintering on the prairie some miles away. Early in the morning he started. A snow blizzard was raging. With great difficulty he fought his way home against a bitter, biting wind. Cold and weary and hungry he entered his abode. A bright warm fire burned in the open chimney corner. Pee-Hew was absent. This displeased him in his half-frozen condition so that when his wife came in shortly, no word escaped his lips. She glanced at his angry face with alarm and explained apologetically that becoming lonely she had started her horse and joined house to visit her young cousin.

Buffalo Bow was not to be appeased and retorted "It home to be forsaken for the company of silly maidens? After the mating season does the prairie hen leave her nest to gambol with fledglings?" He took his supper in silence, and as the evening hours passed his anger increased. Three came in. During their talk and the passing of pipes Pee-Hew slipped out unnoticed.

"If the love of the heart is blighted, 'It sweeteth not again, 'If that sunset song is forgotten, 'It is to be learned no more."

At a late hour Buffalo Bow's friends came. Pee-Hew had not returned. He had come to himself and regretted his cruel quarrel with a story bride. That night, then concluded that his wife was spending the night in her uncle's home and would return in the morning.

A Great Trouble

Morning dawned, the wind had fallen, the storm was over but the air seemed so terrible, a difficulty in penetrating the thick atmosphere of haze and frost. At the Agency office Interpreter Shaf-fee had started early, now roaring in the red-hot box stove. The Agency clerk entered to take up the morning's business.

"I see Chief Pee-Pee-Kee-Sia crossing the lake yonder," he remarked to Chaffee. He is abroad early for a cold morning, and what is unusual for him, he is walking, and is all alone." Soon the Chief entered. Evidences of some great trouble were not wanting. He was steadily clothed, his long hair hung loose over his back, no paint was on his face. "For more than an hour he sat in silent meditation. Good form required that he be given time to tell his story. Finally the clerk addressed him. "Well Chief, what's your trouble? Let us hear it."

"Mutchee keguy" he began, "something terrible has happened. Great darkness is over my people this morning. My nephew has married a white woman, and what some of my young friends talked and smoked with my nephew. At daybreak my son, going early to the stables, found her body cold and stiff, hanging from a tree, a piece of rawhide around her neck."

Pee-Hew had taken her own life. At the instant held by Doctor Seymour, Buffalo Bow, with tears rolling over his cheeks told of his happy married life and that only this once had he spoken an unkind word.

"Often will thoughts look back 'And weep over early and self-inflicted pain."

"And the dim notes of that pleasant song 'Will he heard like a reproachful spirit."

"Moaning in Eolian strains 'Over the desert of the heart 'When the Spirit has fled, 'Hath withered its one oasis."

Buffalo Bow aged rapidly. His heart was broken; his life was spoiled. He never married again. "So the story of his life slipped quietly away to join Pee-Hew in the land of better understanding."

A Sporting Offer

"No, madam," said the tramp, "I'm not a sportsman. I can't play principles. I can't chop no wood."

"Well," said the farmer's wife, "there will be some coal here this afternoon, and—"

"I'm sorry again, but I can't carry no coal. But I'll tell you what I will do, I'll compromise. If you've got a gas stove, I'll turn the gas on for you."

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There is no catch in this offer. The condition is simple enough. For every \$25.00 worth of goods purchased in our Men's Wear store we will give the pick of our stock of cloth caps. The price of these caps are from

\$2.25 to \$5.00

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The latest patterns and styles in Men's Ties, mostly all silk, prices **\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75**

Soft collars, different designs W. & G. R. hard collars

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A big stock of fine dress shirts now on display. Many different colors and best material - **\$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00**

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Don't wait too long before you begin to get your Christmas presents. We have a beautiful array of Christmas Handkerchiefs, linen and voile, hand embroidered. In prices we have them from **15c to \$2.50**

KID GLOVES

Black, grey, white and brown, per pair

\$3.75 and \$4.00

Vestee Lace

YOKES

Flesh, blue and white, embroidered yokes, suitable for camisoles and gowns

\$1.75 to \$3.50

\$1.25 to \$2.00

COATINGS

All wool blanket cloth, red, white and brown, suitable for kiddies and misses coats, 54 inches wide, per yard **\$4.50**

DRESS GOODS

Plaid dress goods, 35 inches wide, per yard

\$1.50

Grey and khaki cotton Bedford, 40 inches wide, per yard

\$2.50

Only 29 more days to Christmas. Don't be looking around for gifts to send to friends on the last day. Come in to our stores now.

Local and Personal

Dr. W. G. Anderson of Stovenville, spent the week end in town.

Johnnie Ferguson, of Hutton, was in town this week for a short while.

John O. Carr of Lakem, left this week for New York where he will spend some time.

Inspector Brankley of the Provincial Police, was in town this week on a visit of inspection.

It oil is found in great quantities in Northern Alberta, a refinery will be established by the Imperial Oil Co. in Calgary.

J. McLean, of Burns, Mavor & McLean, was in Brooks Monday acting for the prosecution in an assault case. Construction employees pleaded a rough house in the King George Cafe and were heavily fined.

J. W. Tanner's auction sale held on Saturday last was a success, almost \$3,000 being realized. A. A. McGregor was auctioneer. This was a cash sale.

E. A. Beck, shipped a quantity of Marquis wheat to Chicago to be exhibited at the Chicago International Livestock, Grain and Stock show being held there from November 27 to December 4.

Inspector Spalding of the R.N.W.M.P., was in town last Thursday. He says the Mounted Police post at Gleichen will probably be transferred to Bassano in the spring owing to the more central position of this town.

L. R. Newell, well known rancher, was charged with infractions of the government order restraining cattle from being run in a prohibited area. The case was heard by A. G. Bond, J.P., on Saturday night last. The accused pleaded guilty and was fined \$30 and costs on two charges. W. J. O'Neil for prosecution and Robt. McLean for defendant.

At two o'clock on Saturday afternoon, an Institute meeting will be held under the auspices of the Bow Valley Agricultural Society in the town hall. Mr. Bellman of the Gleichen School of Agriculture, W. Sheehan of the Government irrigation station at Brooks, and other speakers will deliver addresses. All are welcome.

The editor of The Mail was appointed returning officer for the civic elections to be held the second week in December, at the meeting of the council on Monday night. There being no funds left on hand and several auditors hanging round the town office, it was considered quite safe to allow this appointment to go through without a bond being required. It was pointed out that A. G. Bond's services could be secured, he being an expert in this line, and his name being sufficient bond, but "Dick" was reported to be too busy, the Monte of Elijah fell on the shoulders of the editor.

Service and Holy Communion will be held at the Anglican church on Sunday at 11 a.m.

Ray Newson, manager for the Growfoot Farming Co., was in town this week and said the fire which destroyed the farmhouse last week started from matches lighting spontaneously. The company will re-build in the spring.

The weather this fall has been in keeping with Alberta's reputation, the atmosphere being very mild and the days bright and sunny. The absence of snow and the fine weather make conditions ideal for stock.

Local elevator prices

Wheat, No 1	1 30
Oats, 2 northern	31
Flax	1 30
Rye	1 15

BORN

HEATHER—To Mr. and Mrs. A. Heather, of Majorville, at Bassano hospital on Sunday, Nov. 21, a son.

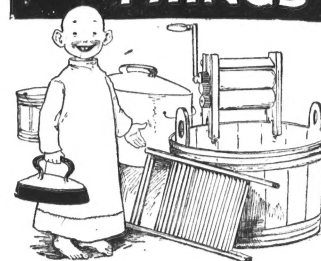
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RATEPAYERS MEETING in Town Hall, MONDAY, NOV. 29th at 8 p.m.

To hear Auditor's Report for first ten months of 1920, also reports of Committees of Council. H. W. FORD, Acting Secretary-Treasurer